

CHILD NUTRITION AND FOOD DISTRIBUTION DIVISION MANAGEMENT BULLETIN

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TO:	All Public and Private Schools Participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs County Superintendents of Schools Diocesan Superintendents of Schools	ISSUE DATE: May 1998
FROM:	Nutrition Standards Unit	
ATTENTION:	Food Service Directors	
SUBJECT:	Proposed Rule: National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program Additional Menu Planning Alternatives	
REFERENCES:	7 CFR Parts 210 and 220	

This Management Bulletin transmits the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Proposed Federal Regulations on the Additional Menu Planning Alternatives under the School Meals Initiative.

This proposed rulemaking would:

1. Reinstate the menu planning system in effect for school year 1994-95 (the traditional meal pattern) as one of the menu planning alternatives available to local school food authorities on a permanent basis.
2. Permit school food authorities to use Any Reasonable Approach to plan menus to meet the nutrition standards.
3. Clarify and simplify several State agency monitoring responsibilities associated with the implementation of the nutrition standards of the National School Lunch Act.

Comments on the implementation of these proposed regulations are encouraged. They must be postmarked or e-mail dated on or before November 12, 1998. Send comments to:

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If you have any questions regarding the attached information, please contact Cindy Schneider, Child

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